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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Molnar Paul			Symbol Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]					Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			Antoj	(Check all applicable)				
500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200			(Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2018					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Bus Dev			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				A	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MIDLAND, TX 79701							_	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secı	ırities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deem Execution any (Month/D	n Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			(D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/16/2018			S	4,425	D	124.4332 (1)	61,779	D		
Common Stock	02/16/2018			S	4,324	D	\$ 125.1632 (2)	57,455	D		
Common Stock	02/16/2018			S	3,900	D	\$ 126.2169 (3)	53,555	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/e		Under Securi	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Molnar Paul

500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 Exec. VP Exploration & Bus Dev

MIDLAND, TX 79701

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Paul Molnar

02/21/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$123.79 per share to \$124.78 per share, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Diamondback Energy, Inc., any security holder of Diamondback Energy, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in footnotes 1, 2 and 3 of this Form 4.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$124.80 per share to \$125.78 per share, inclusive.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$125.87 per share to \$126.59 per share, inclusive.

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